

El Paso High School Wins Basketball Game From A. & M. College Quintet

Gossip About Big League Players

Officials of Players' Fraternity It Is Said Will Have to Do Some Blasting to Get Dues From Members.

By DAMON RUNYON.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 16.—Frank Bancroft, of the Cincinnati club, happens to be a veteran of Coxy's army, and he found his old commander, Jacob Coxy, in the lobby of the Waldorf. Banny marched with the army until he got to Grafton, O., and he was taken with the name of the town that he met Coxy flat. Banny was trying to circulate a little scandal on the famous veteran by claiming that the general rode in low neck hack most of the time the army was marching.

Dave Fultz, president of the Baseball Players' Fraternity, and Jake Daubert, secretary, have been appointed a committee to examine into the various kinds of explosives on sale in the New York market, it having been decided that it will be necessary to do a little blasting to get the annual dues out of the members of the organization.

It is said that John J. McGraw spent a sleepless night in Pittsburgh when

he learned about Rube Marquard wanting that \$10,000 for next season's work. Lawlor was the chief cause of Mr. McGraw's insomnia.

After having had a high fever all night, Charley Rieger, the umpire, met A. E. Wiley, the new president of the Philadelphia club, and Wiley informed him that his claim for \$2200 for signing Eppa Jephtha Rixey, the noted college first, will be settled. Thereupon, Rieger's pulse seemed to become stronger, and he was able to take nourishment. Arlie Latham claims that Johnny Evers has just purchased the entire output of the baseball glove factory for use next season. It is against the law for a manager to fire his glove in the air as an expression of disapproval of an umpire's decision, but Arlie claims that Johnny plans to keep one glove on his hand for all purposes, and throw the extra ones up in bunches of four and five at a clip.

Jack Gleason, the well known bidder for the Philadelphia club, made his appearance here for the first time yesterday afternoon. Jack says that bidding on the Phillies has become so common that he may make a bid on the St. Louis Browns just to have a little excitement.

Jack Dunn, the Baltimore manager, says that Eddie Murphy, the youngster he sold to Connie Mack last year, is the best lead off man that ever came into the big leagues. Moreover, said Dunn, the Dunn Kennel of hunting dogs is the best what is. All of which shows that one can give out a lot of news in one day if he wants to.

Billy Hamilton, the former Boston scout, was seen along Peacock Alley, which moved Arlie Latham to remark that Billy was the best base runner that ever lived. In fact, said Arlie, there were only two other men who could be classed with him when Hamilton was at his best. One was Harry Stovey, and the other a man named Latham. Arlie said that as he recalled it, the latter was particularly fast.

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Marquard Says McGraw Is Jealous

Pitcher for Giants Says Manager Is Peevish Because Marquard Has Better Vaudeville Act—Will Become Farmer if He Doesn't Get \$10,000 Salary.

By W. J. O'CONNOR.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 16.—"Sure, I want \$10,000 to play with the Giants. Ain't I worth it?"

Rube Marquard's opening shot, when interviewed at a local theater where he appeared.

"Listen, now. I don't have to play ball and the sooner somebody gets that to McGraw the better. He made the crack that I hate myself. Well, you know why that was said, don't you? I got a better act than McGraw and I told his friends so. And say, he wouldn't let his agents book him on the same bill with me. He showed a little brains there, too, above me."

"I'm dressing down \$1500 a week for this stunt. That's pretty fast work, don't you think? And I'm booked for 22 weeks, winning up on the coast late in May. I'll go through with the 22 weeks if the New York club doesn't show me a parchment with \$10,000 written on it, over \$1000 a week."

"I can play out there 22 weeks, finish up out in Prince and then work (he didn't say) walk. I tried his darnedest to break up the team. He said it would be another Donlin-Hite affair. He always said that Mike would never have quit the Giants if it wasn't for his wife."

Rube is angry at McGraw. "You know I've got a right to be sore on McGraw. He tried to bust up this act. When Miss Seeley and I were rehearsing this fall he tried his darnedest to break up the team. He said it would be another Donlin-Hite affair. He always said that Mike would never have quit the Giants if it wasn't for his wife."

Puffs From the Fan's Hop Pipe

CLARK GRIFFITH has Gandil, Groom, Foster, not to mention Walter Johnson, signed up for next year. Several big league teams will not have that much class signed up all season.

"Tis said that McGraw's automobile and shooting trips have interfered seriously with his usual winter studies into the science of checkers. But some day the "peelers" will get the route as he has his many predecessors. He is probably saving up his checkers for the coming summer.

According to Herman Weeks every time Tyus Raymond Cobb got away with a single last season it netted him \$39.65.

One player at least takes his team standing to heart. Outfielder Vincent Campbell, of the Boston Braves, says that he is going to retire, due to there being nothing to gain by trotting 'round with a tailender.

Joe Wood, of the Red Sox, is an ardent aeroplant, and if he can strike a bargain he will invest part of his world's series money in a flying machine.

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scheduled for New Orleans on December 19, has failed to materialize. Both boxers declare that they were not offered enough for the bout. Burns was to receive \$100 for his share.

Carl Morris, the original "white hope," has been signed to meet Al Kuzma, a 10 round bantamweight, at Atlanta, Ga., on Tuesday, December 17.

Dan (Porky) Flynn, the Boston heavyweight, has arrived in San Francisco, where he has been fighting for several months. Flynn has issued a challenge to Frank Moran, the 125 lb. fighter, who is now on the coast, and to the winner of the Palmer-McCarthy which is scheduled for New Year's day.

The 10 round bout between Johnny Dundee and Eddie Morgan scheduled for New York on December 12, has been postponed for one week. The bout was postponed for the fighters to get an extra week training, as the winner would meet Johnny Kibane for the featherweight championship on February 22, at Los Angeles.

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LAMARS DEFEAT THE SAN JACINTOS

Mean Team Has Easy Victory Over Sunset Five in Grammar School Basketball Game—Institute Team Loses.

In one of the most hotly contested basketball games of Grammar School league this season, the Lamar school quintet won from the San Jacinto five by the score of 18 to 14 at the Y. M. C. A. Saturday afternoon. Shay was chief point maker for the San Jacinto team, and Bevans was the star of the Lamar quintet.

The second game was a walkover for the Mesa team against the Sunset five, the score standing 18 to 8. Although outclassed, the Sunset quintet played a plucky game all of the players being little fellows.

In the second league the first game scheduled between the San Jacinto and Mesa teams was forfeited by the San Jacinto team on account of a squabble among themselves, the score standing 2 to 0.

The second match was won by the Lamar team from the Military Institute team by a score of 11 to 10. The game was one of the prettiest and steadiest ever played by the grammar school athletes, the score being tied almost continually. Biefer was the star of the team, throwing nine points.

The lineup of the first game was: Lamar—Bevans, Littleton, forwards; Blas, center; Broadbent, Overstreet, guards; San Jacinto—Donahue, Shay, forwards; Halford, center; Hardy, Oden, guards.

Second game lineup: Sunset—Ashley, Wright, forwards; McKinney, Sloan, guards; Bryant, center. San Jacinto—Gayard, Clemens, forwards; Chess, Yowell, guards; Richards, center.

The lineup of the second league, second game, was: Lamar—Biefer, forward; Terrell, center; Hogarth, Weeks, guards; Lamar—Walker, Broyles, forwards; Boyd, center; Priest, Forthright, guard.

Scoring 27 points to their opponent's 21, the Y. M. C. A. basketball team won Saturday night's basketball game with the Cactus club in the City League series. Good passing and team work won the game. D. Bowman and Lee Evans were the "scoring machines" with 11 points for the former and 15 for the latter. Will Taylor, of the Cactus team, made the greatest number of individual points for his side, scoring 15.

A practice game between the second team of the high school and the Rio Grande bank team was played in Pecos. The Bankers won with a score of 23 to 11.

Has Leg Broken AT JUAREZ TRACK

Races were held Monday at the Juarez track. This is an innovation for the present season, as Monday has been the off day at the track. The races will be run seven days each week for the remainder of the meeting in order to have an edge on the bad weather days when the horses cannot gallop.

Willie Shearer, an exercise boy at the track, hit Gilbert Rose, a gelding from Stewart Park barn, out away from him on the track, was thrown and had his leg broken. The horse was badly cut by a barbed wire fence.

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FIGHTING FAMILIES

Tales Told At the Ringside

By W. A. Phelon

"As a rule," remarks Joe Chynski, "the first member of a family to make himself conspicuous in the ring proves to be much the best of the whole tribe. His brothers, emulating him and striving to gether fame and money like him, are generally failures. Seldom has a younger brother shown himself better than the first one to turn fighter, and it can be safely said that 70 percent of the ambitious younger kids fall down heavily."

The Sullivan twins, Jack and Mike, can hardly be classed with ordinary brothers, for they started even in life, took up boxing together, and have achieved a fame as their ages and lives. The Gardner boys can be called, perhaps, exceptions to the general rule. Billy Gardner was the first of them to fight. The next one, George, was much better than Billy, and the third, Jimmy, was still better than George.

"Kid McCoy was a wonder. His ambitious brother, Homer, proved a woeeful lemon. "Jim Jeffries was monarch of them all. Jack Jeffries pestered out and fell by the wayside.

"Joe Wolcott was a demon for sure. Little Belfield, his brother, never got very far. "Abie Attell was a star for years. Monte, second of the fighting Attell family, was a good boy, but not of a big class, and Oscar, the brother, was a front.

"Casper Leon was a crackerjack. Benny Leon was a mark. "Johnny Coulon is one of the best we've ever seen. George Coulon gave up the ring after a couple of attempts.

"Leach Cross is a tough and dangerous fighter. Phil Cross is just a good, average performer. "There may never be another Terry McGovern. Hughes and Philly, his younger brothers, never came near a championship crown.

"The Forbes brothers might have been different, for Clarence, the younger, was faster, trickier and stronger than Harry. But Clarence wouldn't become a fighter, and Harry outstayed him in fame as well as ability.

"Young Loukhrey, the Philadelphia boy, showed more class and left a better impression than his brother, Young Jack O'Brien is a pretty boxer, but Harry outstayed him in fame as well as ability.

"Billy Murphy, the Australian torpedo, was 10 times better than his brother (younger) though larger brother, Tim. Aurelio Herrera had it on his brother, Mauro, a dozen different ways. Oscar Gardner was one of the most wonderful fighting machines on record—his brother, Ed, was just ordinary.

"I think the Lavigne family was a bit different—if I remember rightly, George, the younger brother, was far better than Billy, the older one. But Billy Myer outclassed his brother, Eddie. And last of all, to show how the first of a family is the best, irrespective of brothers of good old Harry Gilmore, the once-famous lightweight, was far better than any of his strapping sons, and can probably lick them all to day.

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